

NGA-West2 Research Program



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NGA-West1

- **NGA-West1 (Original NGA Project)**
 - PEER compiled a very comprehensive **database** of ground motions recorded in **shallow crustal earthquakes in active tectonic regions**
 - Numerous **supporting research studies** were also carried out
 - In 2008, Next Generation Attenuation (**NGA**) ground motion prediction equations (**GMPEs**) were developed
 - USGS adopted the NGA-West1 GMPEs for the US National Seismic Hazard Maps
 - **NGA-West2 is a follow-up of NGA-West1**

Sponsors of NGA-West2

- Supports of the sponsors are appreciated

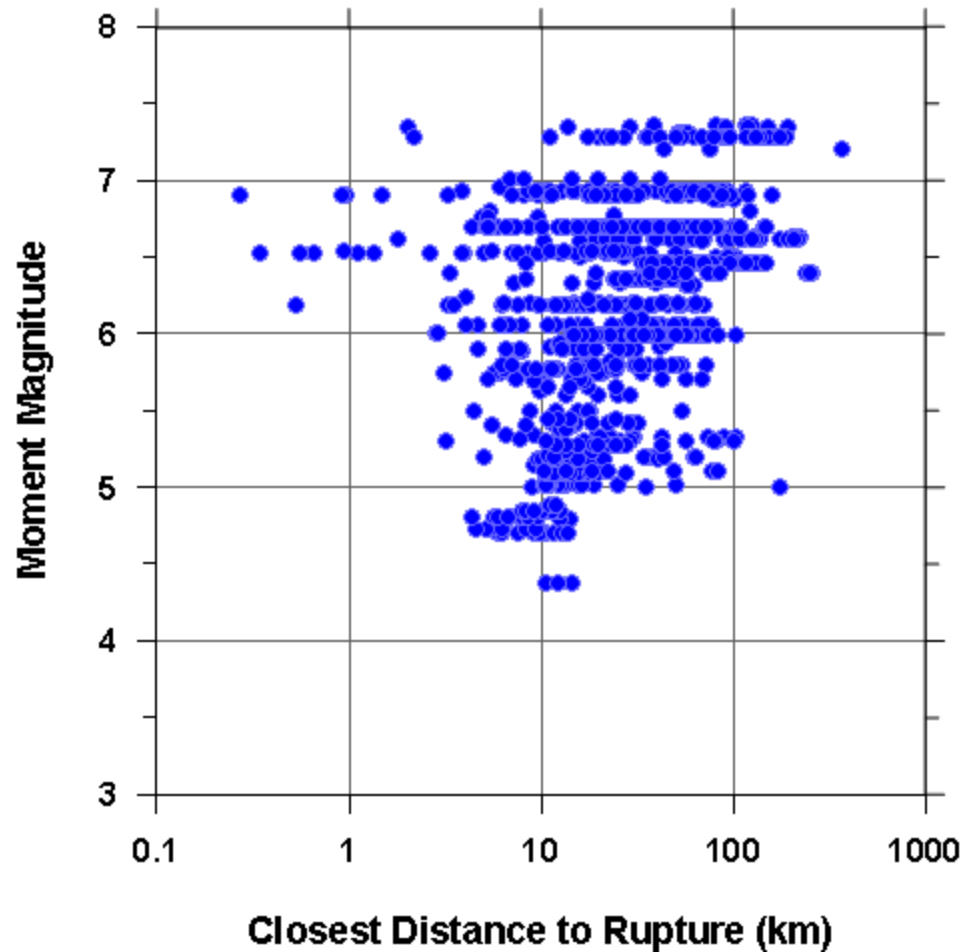


NGA-West2 Sub-Projects

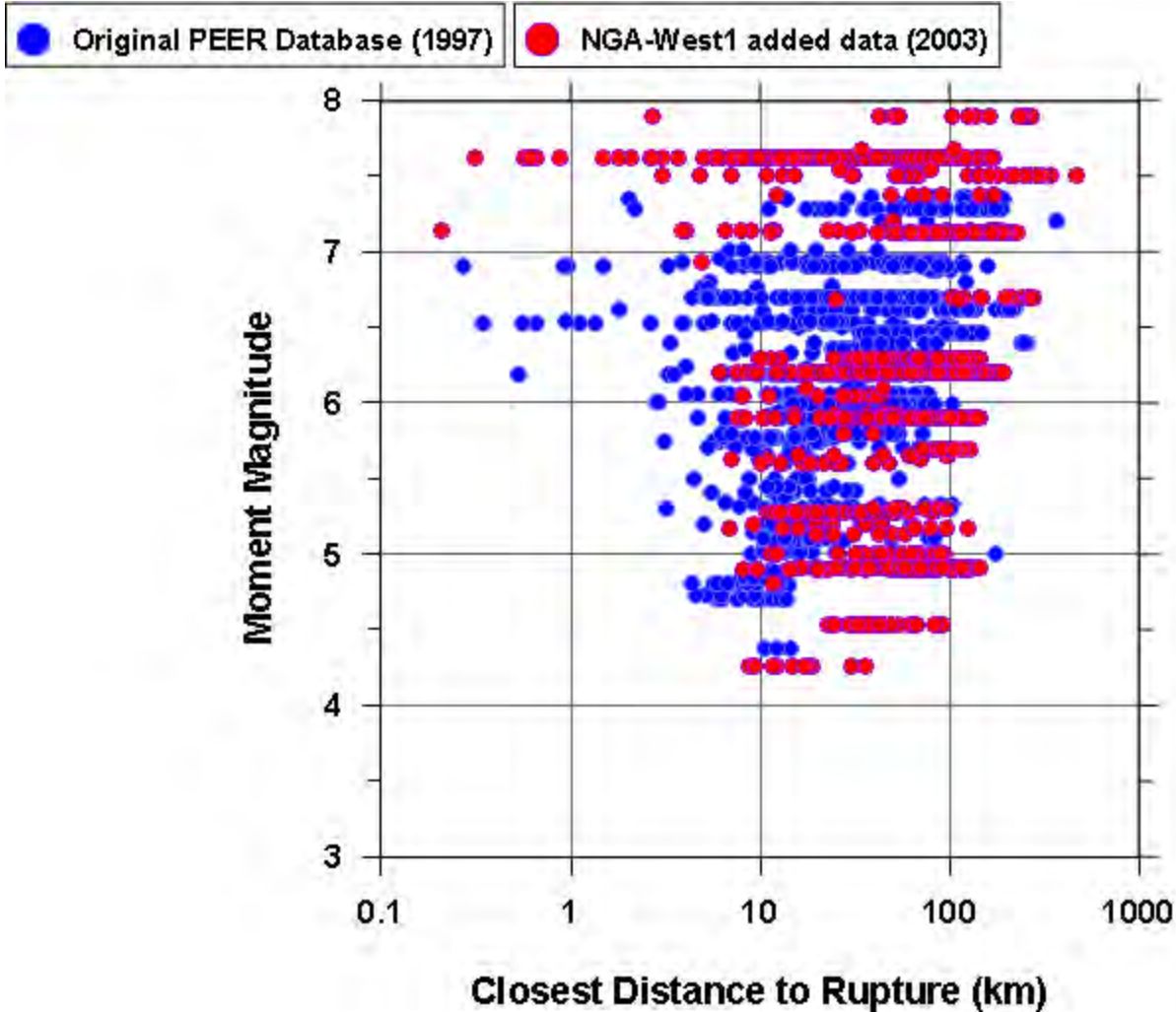


Update worldwide database

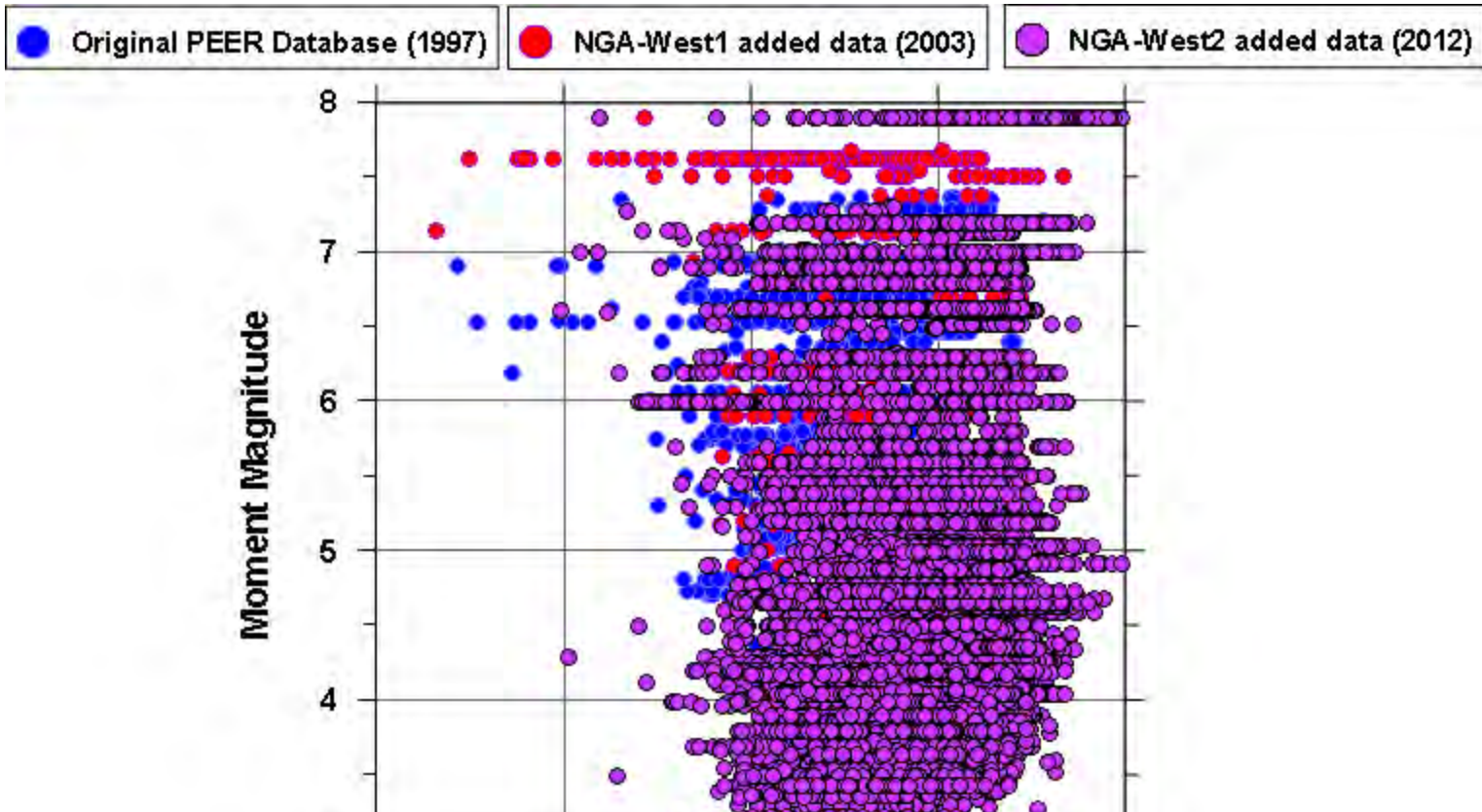
● Original PEER Database (1997)



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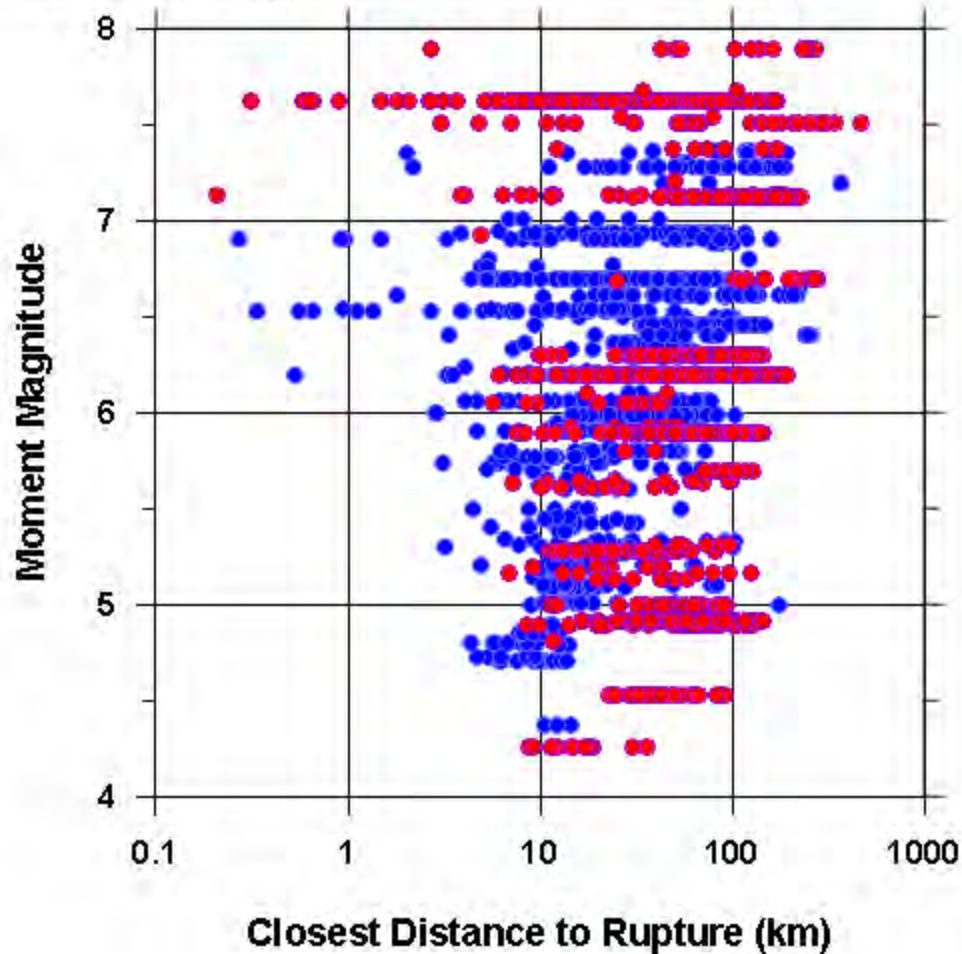
NGA-West2 database includes over 19,000 three-component recordings... over 57,000 records

From NGA-West1 to NGA-West2 the size of database was increased by a factor of 5.5

Moderate-to-large magnitude worldwide database

● Original PEER Database (1997)

● NGA-West 1 added data (2003)

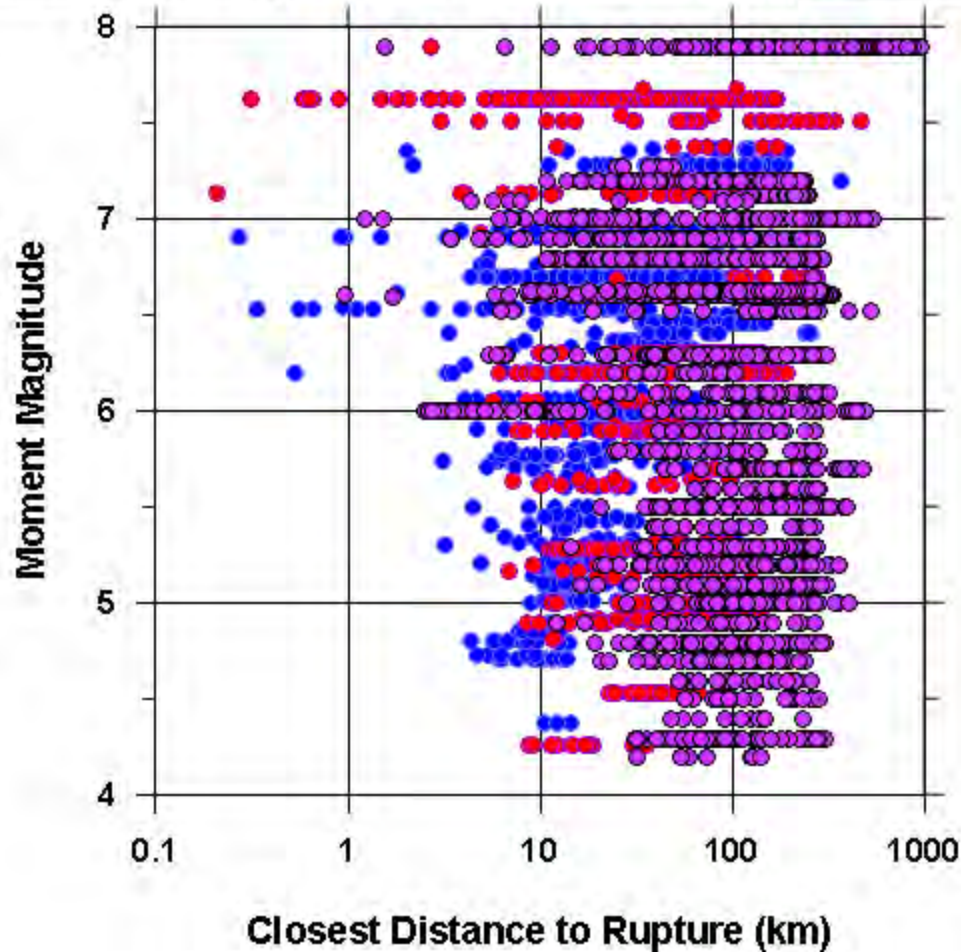


Moderate-to-large magnitude worldwide database

● Original PEER Database (1997)

● NGA-West 1 added data (2003)

● NGA-West 2 added data (2011)



Examples of data added to NGA-West2 database

Earthquake Name*	Year	M	N Rec	Rrup Range (km)
Tottori, Japan	2000	6.61	414	1-333
Niigata, Japan	2004	6.63	530	8-300
Chuetsu-oki, Japan	2007	6.8	616	10-300
Iwate, Japan	2008	6.9	367	5-280
El Mayor-Cucapah, CA	2010	7.2	238	11-240
Darfield, New Zealand	2010	7	114	1-540
Christchurch, New Zealand	2011	6.1	104	2-440
Wenchuan, China	2008	7.9	263	1-1500
L'Aquila, Italy	2009	6.3	48	5-230

*subset of added events

Comparison of NGA-West1 & NGA-West2 databases

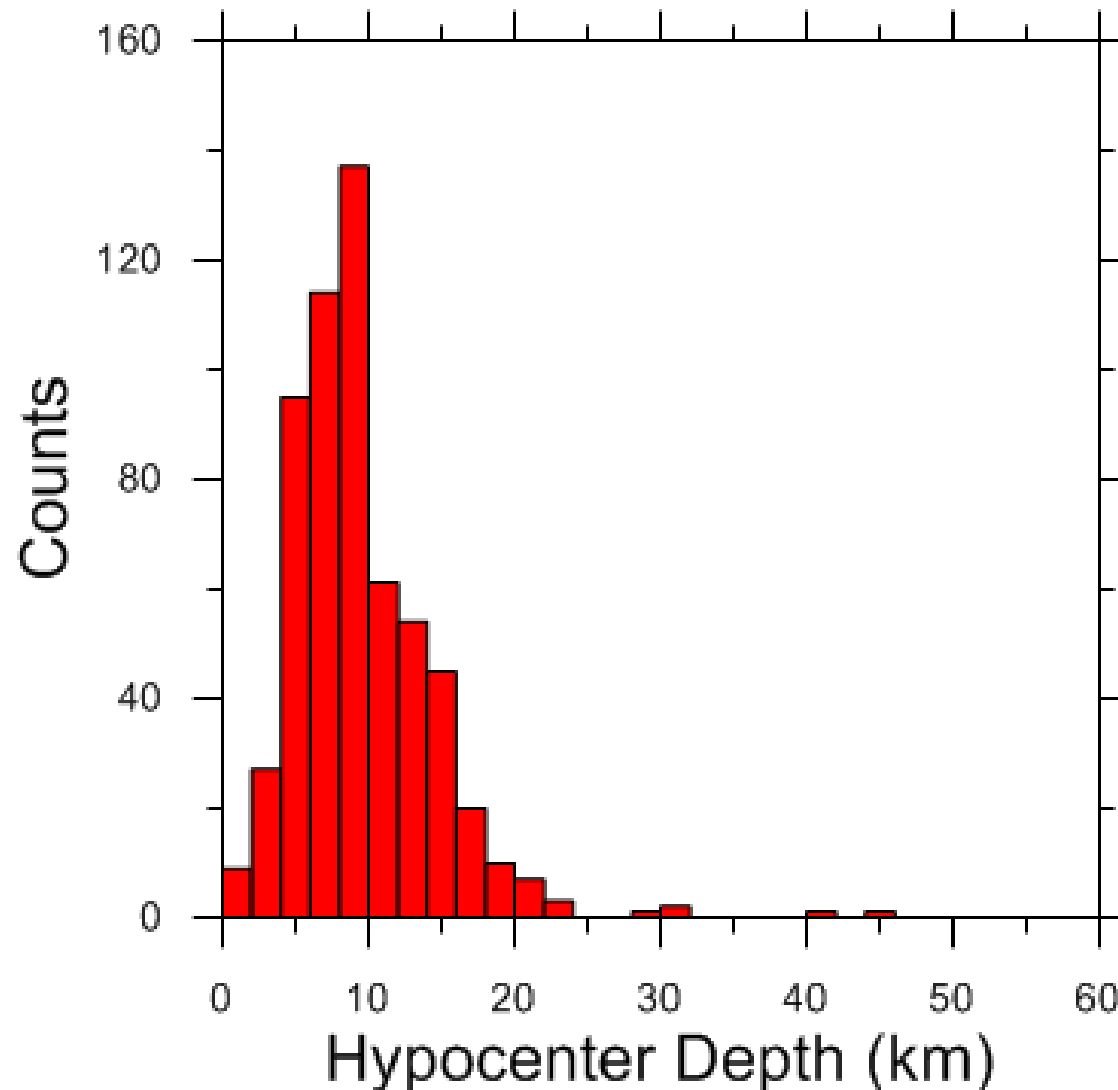
Data Set	# EQs	# Rec	Sa Type	Damping	Periods (sec)
NGA-West1	173	3,551	AR, GMRotI50	5%	0.01 - 10
NGA-West2	610	19,400	AR, RotDnn	0.5-30%	0.01 - 20

AR= As-recorded

RotDnn definition

- At each period, rotate horiz. components,
- **RotD50** = 50 percentile,
- **RotD100** = **max**,
- **RotD00** = **min**
- Motivation: Users can use the maximum rotated motion

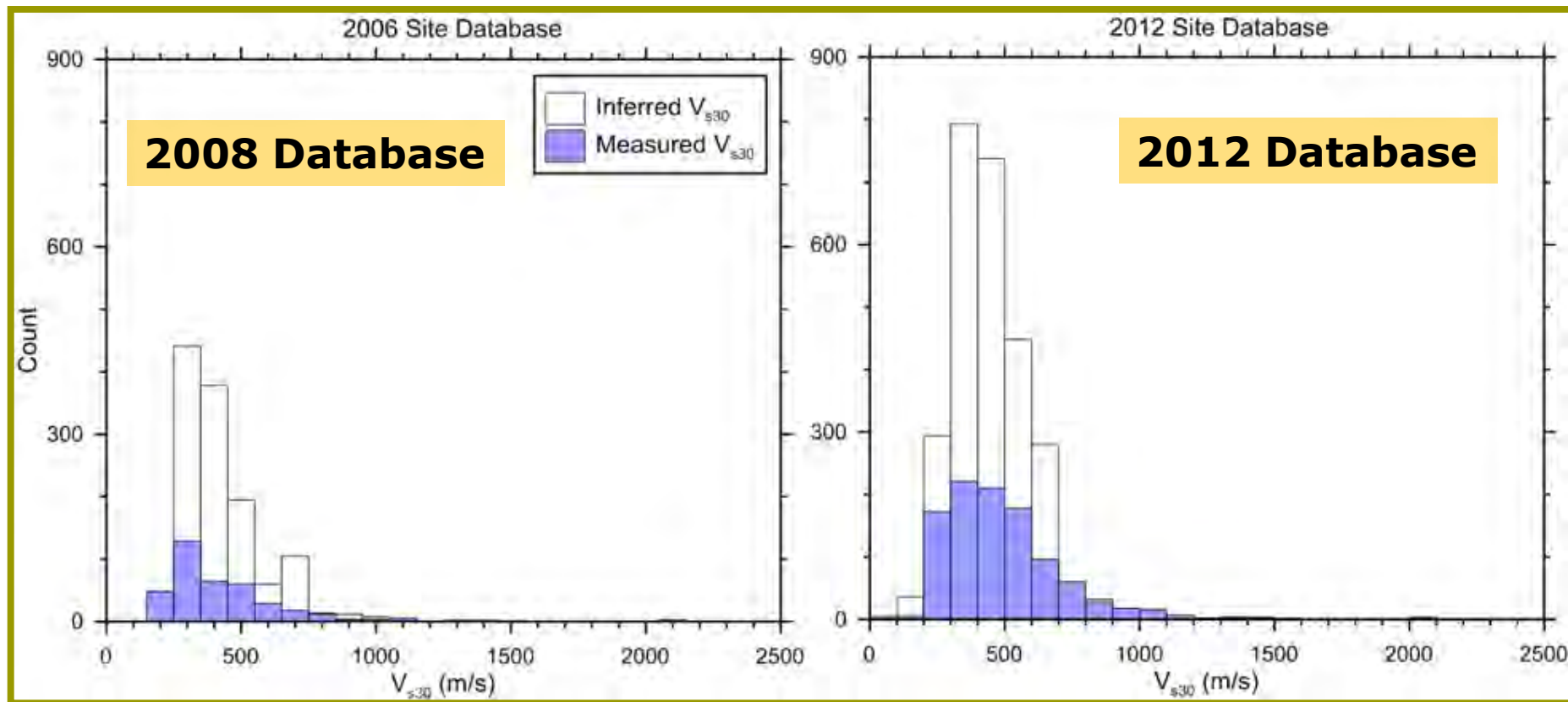
NGA-West2 Distribution of Hypo Depth in the Database



Courtesy: Tim Ancheta

Vs30 distribution

- Measurements versus inferred values (estimated by various methods such as slop, geology,...)

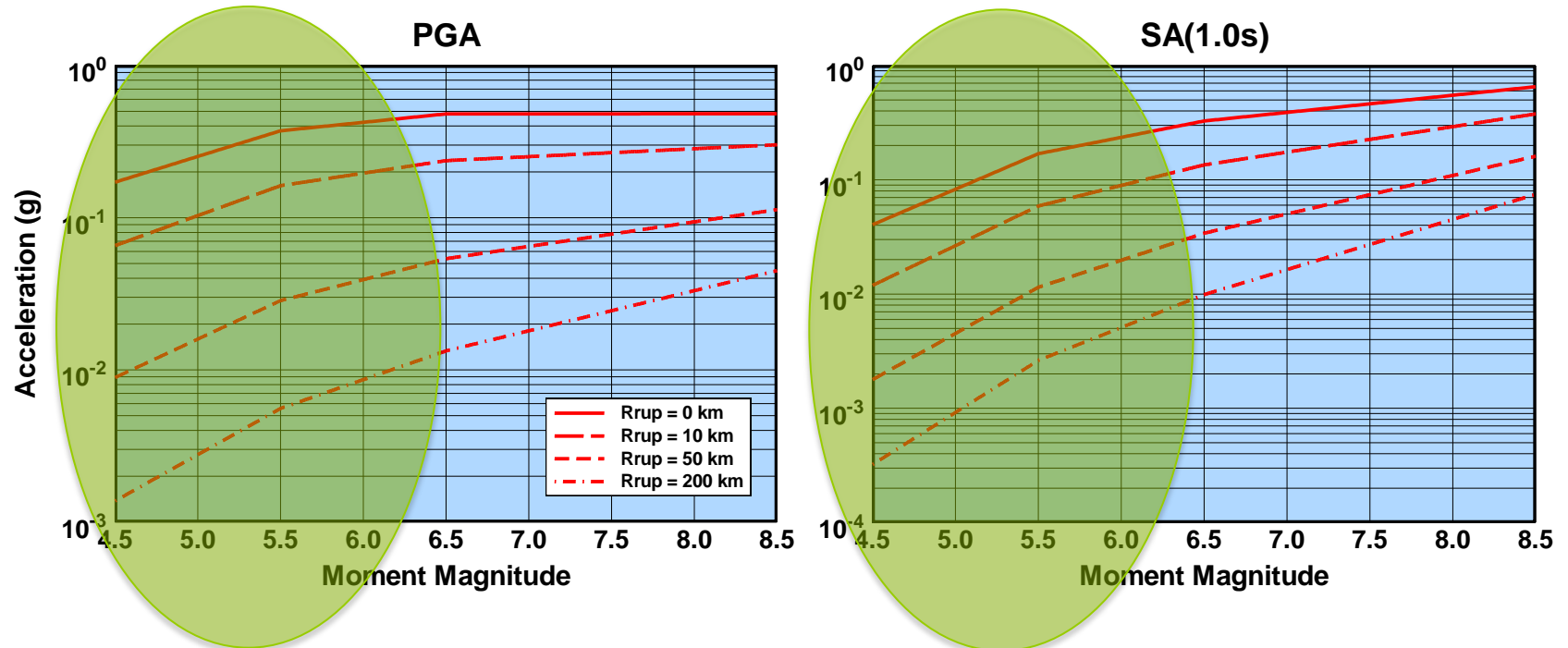


Why did we add small magnitude data?

■ Motivation:

- ❖ NGA-West1 models over-predicted motions for small magnitude
- ❖ In the future, we can analyze multiple events recorded at same site to characterize the site variability (single-station Sigma)
- ❖ In the regions that have mainly small magnitude data, they can compare NGA with their data

Magnitude scaling at small magnitude



Update NGA GMPEs for horizontal motion

- Using the latest database
- Using supporting research on:
 - Directivity of ground motion
 - HW/FW model using simulations data
 - Update of nonlinear soil response
 - New classification of “main shock” vs “aftershocks”
 - ...

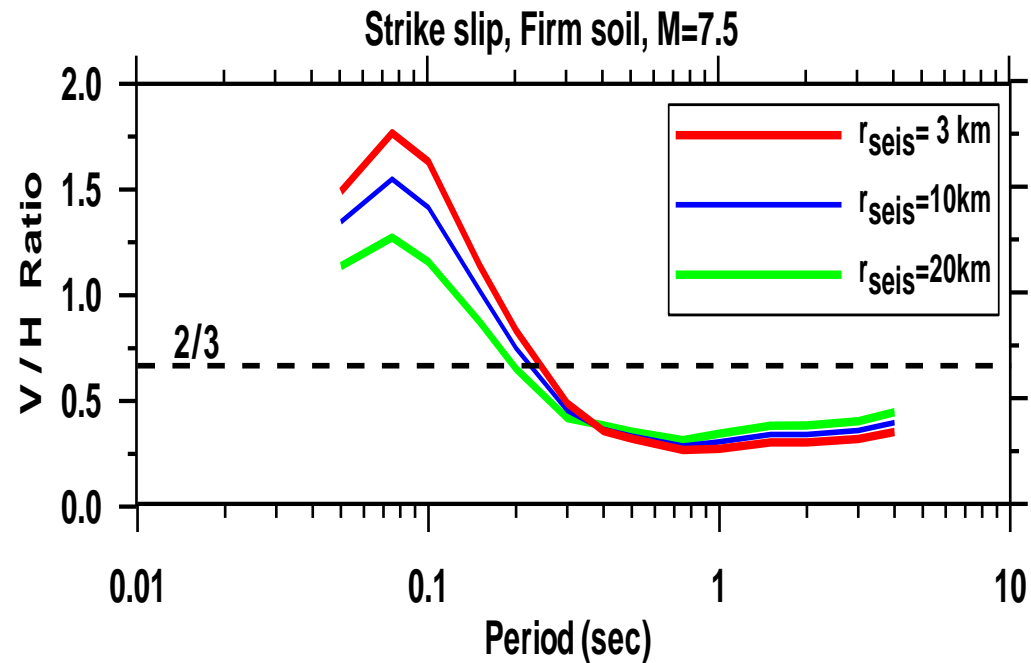
Model Parameters

Parameter	AS	BSSA	CB	CY	Id
Magnitude	Mw	Mw	Mw	Mw	Mw
Top of Rupture	Z _{tor}		Z _{tor}	Z _{tor}	
Style of Faulting	RV,NM,S S	RV,NM, SS	RV,NM, SS	RV,NM, SS	RV,NM, SS
Dip	Yes		Yes	Yes	
Downdip Fault Width	Yes		Yes		
Closest Distance to Rupture	R _{rup}		R _{rup}	R _{rup}	R _{rup}
Hor Dist. to Surface Proj.	R _{jb}	R _{jb}	R _{jb}	R _{jb}	
Hor Dist. perpendicular to Strike	R _x , R _y		R _x	R _x	
Hanging Wall Model	Yes	(R _{jb})	Yes	Yes	
Vs30m	Vs30	(760m/s)	Vs30, (S _j)	Vs30	Vs30 _{≥450}
Depth to Vs	Z _{1.0}		Z _{2.5}	Z _{1.0}	
Hypocentral Depth			H _{hyp}		
Vs30m for Reference Rock	1100	760	1100	1130	

Courtesy: Nick Gregor

Develop GMPEs for vertical component

- NGA-West1 models predicted only horizontal ground motions
- Recorded data have shown that vertical ground motion can be large at the sites close to active faults



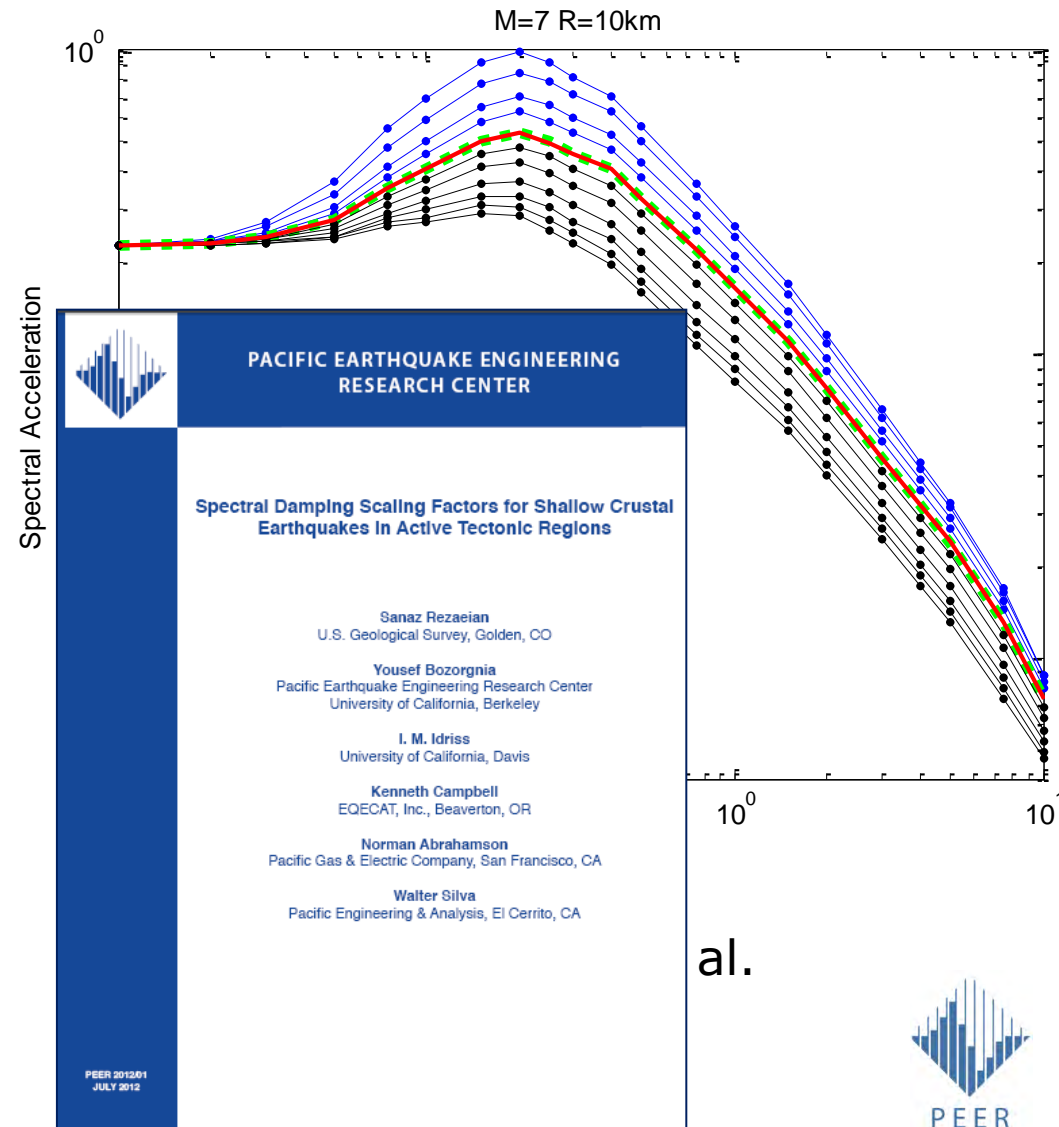
Do not use 2/3 to scale horizontal motion to get vertical

Damping scaling of response spectra

- Scale GMPEs for damping other than 5%:

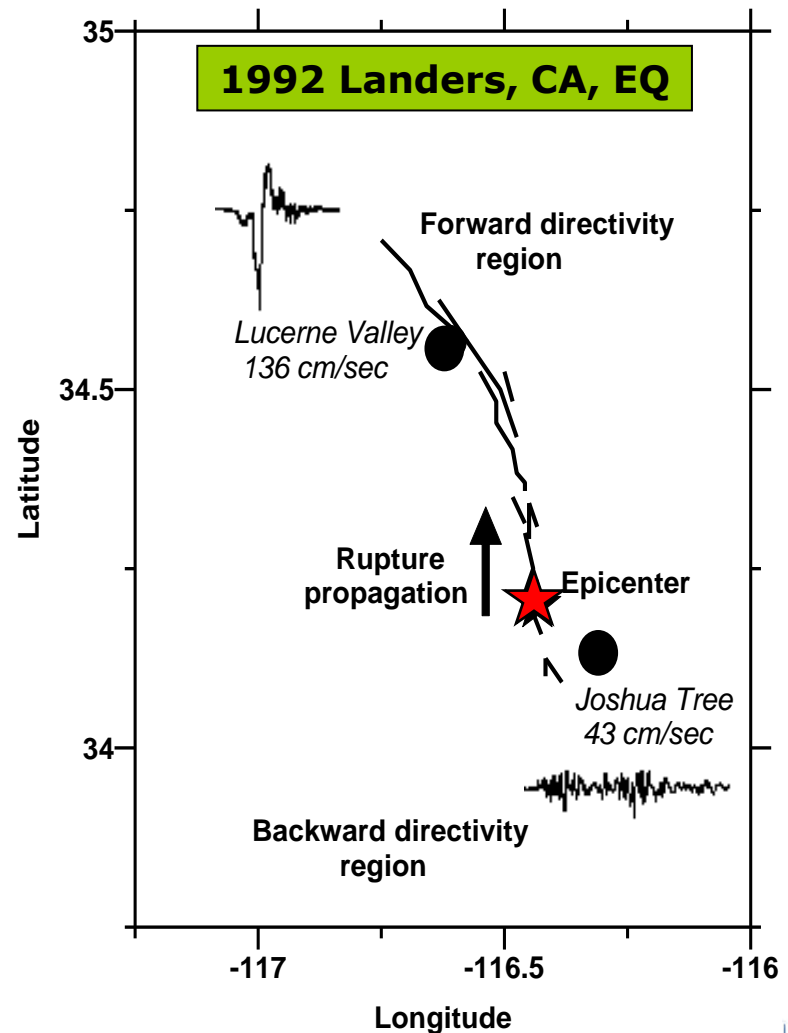
0.5% to 30%

- Damping scaling model is final;
PEER report already published



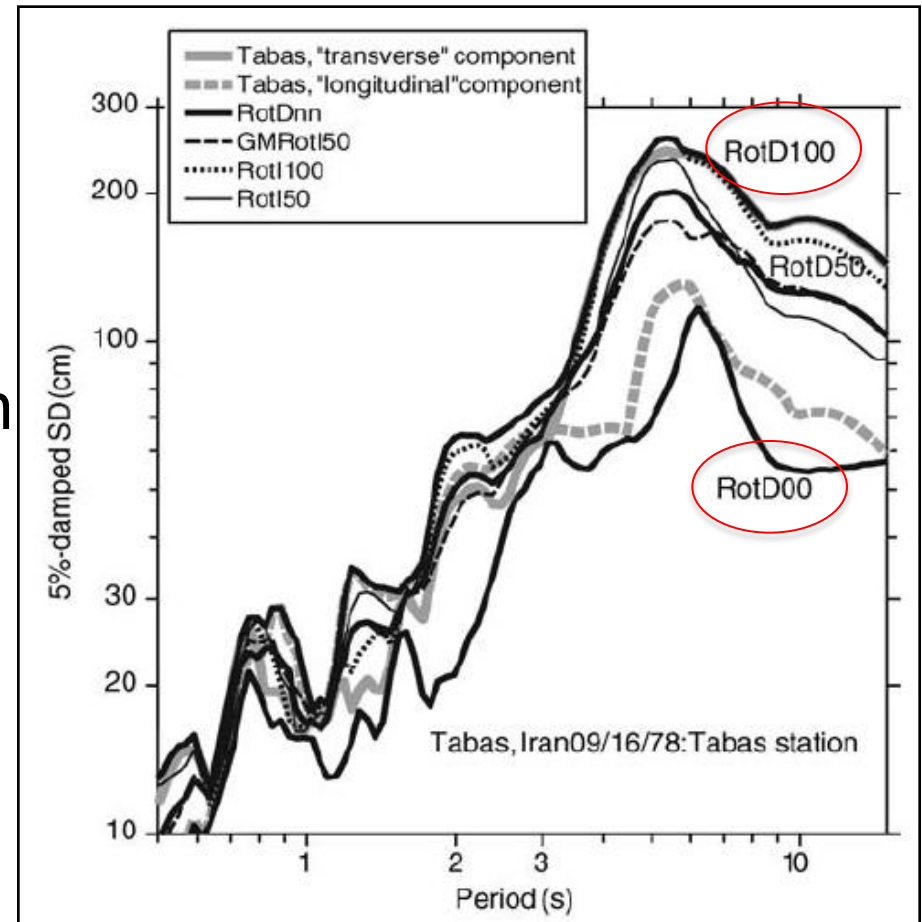
Directivity

- NGA-West1 models did not explicitly include directivity of ground motion
- Five directivity models have been developed
 - Wide-band and narrow-band models
- Effects of directivity will be included in NGA-West2 GMPEs



Directionality (Polarization)

- NGA models are for “geometric mean” horizontal components
- Develop max and min rotated spectra, as a function of mag, distance,...
- Examine relationship of max/min spectra with RotD50 (50 percentile) spectra



Ref: Boore (2010)

Epistemic uncertainty model

- ❑ Develop epistemic uncertainty model for NGA-West2
- ❑ Will need final GMPEs
- ❑ Will be carried out by January 31, 2013

Site Response

- NGA-West1 site amplification factors are inconsistent with NEHRP site amplification factors
- Goal: To make NEHRP and NGA site amplifications consistent
 - Propose changes in NEHRP factors
- This is both scientific and consensus-building task

NGA-West2 Status

- Some tasks have already been completed
 - Databases, damping scaling, directivity, directionality, site response
 - Draft final reports are being reviewed internally and externally
- Draft of GMPEs for horizontal components are ready for review to obtain:
 - Feedback from the USGS National Hazard Maps, internal and external reviewers

NGA-West2 Status (cont'd)

- Draft final reports on horizontal and vertical GMPEs and epistemic uncertainty will be sent to the sponsors and reviewers by January 31, 2012
- Obtain comments on draft report: February 28, 2013
- Finalize all reports for public release: April 15, 2013

Many people have been involved in NGA-West2

- **Technical Coordination Committee:**
 - Abrahamson, Bozorgnia, Campbell
- **External reviewers and oversight committee:**
 - Chris Wills, Mark Petersen, John Anderson, Roger Borchardt, Silvia Mazzoni, Farzad Naeim
- **Funding agencies representatives:**
 - Badie Rowshandel & Tom Shantz

People involved in NGA-West2 per Tasks

- **Database:** Ancheta, Darragh, Chiou, Silva, Stewart, Seyhan, Graves, Wooddell, Katke, Boore, Kishida, Al Atik, NGA developers
- **GMPE Developers:**
 - Abrahamson & Silva
 - Campbell & Bozorgnia
 - Chiou & Youngs
 - Boore-Stewart-Seyhan-Atkinson
 - Idriss
- **Damping:** Rezaeian, Bozorgnia, Idriss, Abrahamson, Campbell, Silva & GMPE developers

People involved in NGA-West2 per Tasks (Cont'd)

- **Vertical:** GMPE developers
- **Directivity:** Spudich, Chiou, Baker, Shahi, Rowshandel, Somerville, Bayless, Watson-Lamprey & GMPE developers
- **Directionality:** Baker, Shahi, & directivity group
- **Site Response:** Stewart, Seyhan, Anderson, Borchardt, Crouse, Graves, Idriss, Power, Silva, Shantz

**Putting together pieces of a complicated puzzle
through
a large coordinated multidisciplinary Team Work**

THANK YOU!

